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**Subject:** Re: press inquiry (Curbed SF) -- reports re: more contamination and less adequate cleanup at former Hunters Point shipyard

Thanks, this is helpful! I think we are going live this morning. It does indeed appear that the EPA has criticized the Navy recently, but maybe if we can work on this: Does EPA believe that the entirety of the base needs to be scanned for all of the radionuclides mentioned in the report, or does EPA still accept the Navy's contention that most of the base was not contaminated with low-level radioactive waste?

On Thu, Oct 18, 2018 at 5:23 PM Calvino, Maria Soledad <Calvino.Maria@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Chris,

Given your tight deadline, this is all I have available right now:

- **Parcel A:** Since July, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) has been doing a radiological scan of Parcel A, where residents already live. Over 95% of Parcel A has been rescanned by CDPH. Please visit CDPH's website for the latest [progress update](#) and additional information:  
<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CEH/DRSEM/Pages/RHB-Environment/Hunters-Point-Naval-Shipyard-Parcel-A-1-Survey.aspx>
- **Parcel G:** The Navy has agreed to complete a health and safety scan of all accessible areas of Parcels G, D-2, UC-1, and UC-2. Please visit the Navy's website for their full October 3<sup>rd</sup> statement:  
[https://www.bracpmo.navy.mil/brac\\_bases/california/former\\_shipyard\\_hunters\\_point/timely\\_topics.html](https://www.bracpmo.navy.mil/brac_bases/california/former_shipyard_hunters_point/timely_topics.html)
- **EPA correspondence with the Navy:** You can find all site documents on our [website](#). Here's a link to EPA's review of the Draft Parcel G Removal Site Evaluation, Sampling and Analysis Plan (SAP), from September 24, 2018:  
<https://semsub.epa.gov/work/09/100010673.pdf>

Thank you,

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Hi Chris,

Let me see what I can do.

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Hello Soledad:

I'm a reporter with Curbed SF. I hope this message finds you well.

I apologize in advance for the short notice and tight deadline, but researchers formerly with UC Santa Cruz today released a pair of reports criticizing the Navy's assessment and cleanup of the radioactivity at the former Navy shipyard at Hunters Point, which is an EPA superfund site.

They can be found here: <http://committeetobridgethegap.org>.

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The main takeaways are that the Navy spread far more contamination over Hunters Point than previously publicly acknowledged and that the Navy did not scan enough of the shipyard for the appropriate radionuclides of concern.

We need to see if we can include comment from the EPA on these reports. Do we think that areas including Parcel A that have been declared clean need to be rescanned? Should the entire base be redone? Can it still be cleaned up to safe standards?

(I know the EPA has recently criticized the Navy's proposed remediation of Parcel G as well; if there are any letters or memos exchanged between the EPA and Navy over the past month on the shipyard, can you also provide a copy?)

Unfortunately my deadline on this is almost immediate. But if the EPA can provide us with information, we can always add to our story after it is published online.

Thank you in advance,  
Chris

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